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In re Application of
Haischmann, Merzhauser, Stiller, and Reuther
Application No.: 10/623,279
Filed: July 18, 2003
Attorney Docket No: 0090096
FOR: DEVICE FOR RINSING A BODY CAVITY

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This is in response to the renewed petition filed June 18, 2004 (certificate of mailing dated June 15 2004), noting the joinder of inventor Haischmann in the above-cited application.

In view of the joinder of the inventor, further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a) is not necessary. This application does not have any Rule 1.47(a) status and no such status should appear on the file wrapper. This application need not be returned to this Office for further consideration under 37 CFR 1.47(a).

The Manual of Patent Examining Procedure ("MPEP"), § 409.03(j) provides that "[i]n the event the previously nonsigning inventor decides to join the application by filing an executed oath or declaration complying with 37 CFR 1.63, the oath or declaration will be placed in the application file."

Accordingly, the declaration for inventor Haischmann has been entered and made of record.

This application is being forwarded to the Office of Initial Patent Examination for further processing.

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